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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OREP, PORG
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN SOLARZ

REF: STATE 69803

1. JUSMMAT C-12 AIRCRAFT IS AVAILABLE FOR USE BY CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ APRIL 3. WE RECALL DURING SOLARZ' APRIL 1976 VISIT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR CODEL TO CONTACT DOD WHICH IN TURN AUTHORIZED EUCOM TO USE JUSMMAT AIRCRAFT AND PRESUME SAME PROCEDURE WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THIS EVENT.

2. WITH RESPECT TO UTILIZATION OF JUSMMAT C-12 TO FLY SOLARZ FROM LARNACA TO ANKARA, WE SUSPECT TURKS WOULD BE EXTREMELY UPSET AND WOULD CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF NOT GRANTING CLEARANCE FOR FLIGHT. MFA WELL AWARE OF SOLARZ' ORIGINAL TRAVEL PLANS. DURING CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF MARCH 16 MFA OFFICER INVOLVED IN COORDINATION OF SOLARZ' VISIT SPECIFICALLY NOTED (WITH EVIDENT SATISFACTION) THAT HE IS PLANNING TO ARRIVE IN ANKARA VIA TURKISH CYPRIOT AIRLINES FROM ERCAN. IF THESE PLANS HAD NOT BEEN KNOWN GOT MIGHT HAVE BEEN MORE AMENABLE TO CARNACA-ANKARA ROUTING BUT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WE BELIEVE TURKS WILL CONSIDER SUCH CHANGE AS ANOTHER SIGN OF US WILLINGNESS TO BOW TO GREEK CYPRIOT
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3. IF USE OF ERCAN IS OUT, AND WE CAN CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND PROBLEMS ITS USE WOULD CREATE IN NICOSIA, WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES: A) CANCEL CYPRUS PORTION OF VISIT, B) RE-ARRANGE ITINERARY SO THAT CODEL ARRIVES IN CYPRUS FROM AFRICA AND THEN PROCEEDS TO ATHENS AND

ANKARA, IN THAT ORDER.

4. WE WILL ARRANGE MEETING BETWEEN CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ AND
ISRAELI CHARGE. (TECHNICALLY, EVEN THOUGH HE HAS
PERSONAL RANK OF AMBASSADOR, TURKS HAVE NEVER AGREED TO
AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL REPRESENTATION).
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